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Rainfall Received; Wheat Harvest Nears Half-Way Mark

Producers welcomed the rainfall that was received in various areas of the State last week. The West Central and Southeast districts received over an inch of rain, while other districts received less than an inch of rain. High temperatures last week were well above normal for all districts. These rains did little to slow wheat harvest, which remained well ahead of normal with nearly half of the State's wheat harvested by weeks end. The precipitation received was greatly needed for summer crops, but producers were hoping for additional rains to help replenish topsoil and subsoil moisture. Topsoil moisture improved with 65 percent in the adequate to short range. Subsoil moisture showed slight improvement from last week, but 76 percent was still in the short to very short range. There were 5.3 days suitable for field work.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	33	28	37	2
Last Week	37	41	22	0
Last Year	18	32	49	1

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	40	36	22	2
Last Week	49	33	18	0
Last Year	20	34	45	1

Small Grains: Wheat, rye and oat conditions continued mostly in the poor to very poor range. Wheat in the soft dough stage of development and oats headed were near complete. Sporadic rains did not slow small grain harvest. Wheat harvest had reached 48 percent, 30 points ahead of the five-year average. Rye and oat harvest also increased significantly from last week to 32 and 33 percent complete, respectively.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 4, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat -					
This Week	35	31	25	9	0
Last Week	37	32	26	5	0
Last Year	4	16	38	36	6
Rye -					
This Week	34	47	17	2	0
Oats -					
This Week	57	28	13	2	0

Row Crops: Conditions for the major row crops were mostly good to fair, with corn rated in excellent to good. Dry conditions over the past two weeks may have limited intentions for double cropping behind the wheat crop. Cotton was emerging at a near normal pace, but was stunted in some areas due to the lack of moisture. Sorghum and soybean seedbed preparations were near completion at 91 and 83 percent, respectively. Producers were hoping for more rainfall to wrap-up cotton, sorghum, soybean and peanut plantings. Corn emergence was nearly complete at 97 percent, while soybeans and peanuts emergence surpassed the half-way mark. Corn silking and cotton squaring were underway

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 4, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	5	21	32	42
Peanuts	0	5	38	55	2
Cotton	0	33	26	40	1
Sorghum	0	12	43	35	10
Soybeans	1	4	46	42	7

Hay: Alfalfa cuttings continued to be shorter than normal last week. Sixty-five percent of the alfalfa was in mostly good to fair condition. Alfalfa second cuttings increased 18 points from last week to 32 percent complete, slightly below the five-year average. The condition of other hay was mostly in the fair to poor range. Other hay first cuttings were slightly behind normal at 53 percent complete.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 4, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	8	21	37	28	6
Other Hay	24	29	35	11	1

Miscellaneous Commodities: Watermelons running, at 59 percent, was 25 points behind last year at this time and 1 point behind the five-year average.

Pasture and Range: Pasture conditions showed slight improvement from last week, but remained mostly in fair condition. The timely rainfall was greatly needed as pastures were drying out. Some areas of the State that had the heaviest rains received the needed water runoff to help replenish water levels in stock ponds.

Livestock: Livestock were in mostly fair to poor condition. Marketings were mostly average. Livestock insect activity was mostly moderate. Death loss of cattle was mostly average. Feeder steers under 800 pounds averaged \$109.73 per cwt. and feeder heifers less than 800 pounds averaged \$102.23 per cwt.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 4, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	14	24	38	23	1
Pasture & Range	12	25	44	18	1

OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS									
Week Ending June 4, 2006									
Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat -					Soybeans -				
Soft Dough	99	94	95	94	Seedbed Prepared	83	80	83	87
Harvested	48	25	7	18	Planted	67	61	56	65
Rye -					Emerged	56	47	44	55
Harvested	32	8	4	7	Peanuts -				
Oats -					Planted	90	65	83	92
Headed	97	93	94	95	Emerged	64	46	68	82
Soft Dough	78	71	71	74	Cotton -				
Harvested	33	8	1	7	Planted	86	72	61	81
Corn -					Emerged	72	55	48	70
Emerged	97	87	94	95	Squaring	5	N/A	1	N/A
Silking	3	N/A	3	3	Alfalfa -				
Sorghum -					2 nd cutting	32	14	34	35
Seedbed Prepared	91	80	90	86	Other Hay -				
Planted	62	55	39	43	1 st Cutting	53	46	55	57
Emerged	38	29	28	34	Watermelon -				
					Running	59	34	53	58

Weather for Week Ending June 4, 2006: Temperatures ranged from 51 degrees at Nowata and Cookson on Saturday June 3rd, to 103 degrees at Grandfield on Sunday, June 4th. Precipitation averaged 0.50 inches in the Panhandle district to 1.33 inches in the Southeast district. Soil temperatures averaged 71 degrees at Miami on Sunday, June 4th, to 90 degrees at Bessie on Monday, May 29th and Burneyville on Tuesday, May 30th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA							
Week Ending June 4, 2006							
Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1, 2006 to June 4, 2006		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
	Degrees			Inches			
Panhandle	89	60	74	0.50	3.26	-3.98	45
West Central	89	64	76	1.22	7.18	-3.23	69
Southwest	90	64	77	0.61	6.89	-3.56	66
North Central	89	64	76	0.98	7.33	-3.55	67
Central	88	64	76	0.83	8.65	-4.36	66
South Central	88	65	76	0.56	11.93	-1.60	88
Northeast	86	62	74	0.61	12.17	-1.59	88
East Central	85	63	74	0.64	12.48	-2.48	83
Southeast	85	64	74	1.33	15.24	-0.72	95

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